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A check of our files indicates that the above-identified application has been filed more than sixteen (16) months without having received an Office Action. Therefore, please advise us of the status of this application. This request is made to avoid any lack of diligence being attributed to the Applicant.

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